

Heavy Rains Cause Minor Flooding In Basin



ALTHOUGH HE NORMALLY operates the Men's Hand Laundry, Philip Duffy did a landslide business Tuesday while making like a Viennese gondolier at the intersection of Eleventh and Klamath streets. The rains came . . . and

came . . . and came. Duffy is pictured in the boat at upper left while heading for shore to pick up a quick fare in the person of Wally Spires, salesman at Juckeland Motors. The center picture was taken on Owens Street near the intersection with White Street. In the foreground the pressurized drain water surges up through a manhole from which the cover has been lifted. The flooded condition in the

upper right picture was snapped on Adams Street near the south end of the viaduct. Measurements tabulated by the local office of the Bureau of Reclamation indicate that more than a half-inch of rain fell Wednesday, with the runoff being aggravated by warming weather and portions of a recent snowfall still on the ground when the rains came. In addition to many street portions being in-

undated Wednesday, some of the suburban streets were made temporarily impassable and numerous families were faced with flooded basements. USBR records indicate that the Klamath Basin has had more than 10 inches of rain since October of 1957, or more than four inches in excess of the normal six-inch fall registered between October and February. — Photos by Kettler and Ellis

Strong Storm Hits Pacific Northwest

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
A powerful storm shattered the calm of the Pacific Northwest's extremely mild winter Wednesday, leaving in its wake one man dead, at least seven persons injured and untold property damage.

The rain-sodden storm, moving swiftly in from the ocean at mid-day, raked coastal areas with winds up to 135 miles an hour and inland areas with gusts to 60 m.p.h. and higher. There was a 110 m.p.h. gust at Mount Hebo, Ore.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
President Eisenhower is asking congress to extend the reciprocal trade act for five years as a "powerful force in waging peace."

The death blamed on the storm was that of Randolph W. Myrick, 61, Tacoma, a lineman for Tacoma City Light.

Myrick and Graydon Bailey, 35, were on a utility pole trying to repair power lines blown down when both touched a hot wire. Myrick was electrocuted. Bailey suffered burns and shock.

In Seattle, seven persons were cut by flying glass as the gusty wind took out a number of store front windows. A broken power line draped itself over a car, trapping Donald Luke, 32, of Seattle, until Seattle City Light crews freed him.

The 55-foot fishing vessel Cross Sound, with three men aboard, radioed the Coast Guard at the height of the storm she was foundering off Grays Harbor. Winds up to 81 miles per hour whipped the ocean.

Later the Coast Guard reported she was all right and with two Coast Guard cutters dogging her wake, the vessel headed out to deep water to ride out the storm.

The Weather Bureau at Seattle said the storm extended roughly from northwestern Oregon to the Canadian border. By nightfall it was losing its punch and Thursday it was expected to have left the area.

Seattle City Light was swamped with trouble calls within minutes after the storm struck. Hundreds of calls reported downed wires and utility poles.

The Washington State Ferries canceled the Edmonds-Kingston and Mukilteo-Columbia Beach ferry runs shortly after nightfall. Service was resumed Friday.

The storm also disrupted phone service at a number of Western Washington cities, including Seattle, Aberdeen, Tacoma, Shelton and Bremerton.

The Northern Pacific Railway's communications from Seattle to the east, south and north were cut off by storm damage.

Wind damage forced a number of radio stations off the air. One Seattle television station shut down because of a power failure.

The highest recorded gust, a whipping 135 m.p.h. blast, was recorded at the Naselle Air Force station, 2,000 feet high in the foothills between South Bend, Wash., and the Columbia River.

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Chiefs Cite Red Threat To Mideast

ANKARA (AP)—The Baghdad Pact powers said Thursday "Communist imperialism" is increasing its efforts to dominate the prized oil-producing Middle East.

In a communique winding up a meeting of ministers, the allies and a U.S. team led by Secretary of State Dulles asserted Russia is directing these attempts by exploiting the fear of war, economic distress and regional tension.

The communique said Communist "infiltration and subversion continue to be a menace and call for constant vigilance and increased solidarity."

The communique listed these declarations by the council, consisting of British, Turkish, Iraqi, Iranian and Pakistani ministers: Creation of a combined military planning staff to serve as a nucleus for an eventual unified command.

A recommendation to hold combined military staff training exercises soon.

Appointment of Turkish Lt. Gen. Ekrem Akalin as director of the combined planning staff for 1958, with American Air Force Maj. Gen. Daniel S. Campbell as his deputy.

The ministers in their four-day meeting expanded the Middle East alliance's military planning staff and heard U.S. pledges of 10 million dollars more in aid and "mobile power in great force" to meet any aggression.

HIGH FINANCE
SAN JOSE, Calif. (UP)—The U. S. government took \$4,743,206 in taxes and interest from the \$9,946,135 estate of Gertrude Achilles, and now admits it made a slight error in figuring the bill. The estate, officials said, owes Uncle Sam another 67 cents.

Yacht Supported By Union Funds Related To Probers

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senate investigators developed testimony Thursday that the yacht used by union boss William E. Maloney and friends has cost the union members around \$130,000—including pay for a non-union skipper.

Maloney, international president of the Operating Engineers Union, was absent as the racketeers investigating committee dug into his handling of union funds. He was asked to be present but sent word he was ill.

But staff investigators told the committee Maloney and other union executives have been entertaining their wives and guests on this 47-foot yacht since 1949.

The yacht "Half Moon" is listed as a craft for "coastal inspection" on the union's books, the investigators said.

Bullet Sets Off Dynamite Blast

LEBANON, Tenn. (UP)—Two teen-agers "just shooting at things," fired a bullet Wednesday into a truck load of dynamite, setting off a blast that killed one of the youths and shook a three-mile area.

Glenn C. Gully, 15, Lebanon, was killed. Charles Pruitt, 17, his companion, was seriously injured. Pruitt said the two were "just shooting at things and we saw this trailer."

"I don't know what was in it. We shot at it four or five times. I fired the last shot and then I next thing I knew I was crawling around and calling for Glenn."

The boys had fired into a trailer-truck loaded with 1,500 pounds of dynamite.

More Time For Trade Plan Asked

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower asked Congress Thursday for a five-year extension of the reciprocal trade program with increased power for him to negotiate tariff cuts. He said it "is essential to America's vital national interests."

In a special message, Eisenhower said of the trade program: "It will strengthen our economy, which is the foundation of our national security. It will enhance the economic health and strength of the Free World. It will provide a powerful force in waging total peace."

The requested legislation is expected to stir up one of the major controversies of this Congress session.

The administration ran into trouble in lining up a Republican sponsor for the bill. Rep. Reed of New York, senior Republican on the House Ways and Means Committee, is the party man to whom the administration normally would look for sponsorship of the measure.

But Reed declined to put his name to it.

Rep. Keen (R-N.J.) agreed to take on the task.

The committee has set hearings to begin Feb. 17.

The trade program dates back to the Franklin D. Roosevelt administration. Under it, the administration can lower tariffs on imports in return for concessions by other countries as to their tariffs on U.S. products.

Young Killer Slays 10 Before Capture

By JOE MCGOWAN
DOUGLAS, Wyo. (AP)—A young gunman sought in a wave of 10 savage killings was run to earth Wednesday in the badlands of eastern Wyoming.

Charles Starkweather, 19, and his brunette girl friend, Caril Fugate, 14, were captured after nine persons in Nebraska and one in Wyoming had been slain in a three-day period.

The girl told officers she feared Starkweather, red-haired and wearing rimless glasses, would kill her.

Automobile glass shattered by bullets in the wild chase that led to Starkweather's capture nicked the gunman's ear.

Sheriff Earl Hefflin said: "It was his own blood that got him. He thought he was shot dead—he fell when he saw that blood."

"He thought he was bleeding to death."

Detective Lt. Eugene Heninger of Lincoln, Neb., spent two hours talking with Starkweather in his cell and said the bandy gunman had promised to write and sign a journal statement.

"I feel we have him tied to the nine deaths in Lancaster County, the filling station operator (Robert Colvert, 21, of Lincoln, killed Dec. 1) and the man killed in Wyoming," Heninger said.

"He agreed to sit down and give a written statement when other Nebraska authorities arrive. I think I will get a written confession."

Heninger said Starkweather gave no motive other than to say that "I got mad at people," that people "were acting funny" and that when he thought they had heard of him on the radio during the search in Lincoln he became frightened. Heninger said the youth was cooperative.

"There are very definitely no other bodies not yet discovered," Heninger went on. "Parts of his story do not jibe."

"He said he was headed for Washington, where he has a brother named Leonard. He did not mention a city or town."

He said Starkweather had emphatically denied sexually molesting Carol King, 16, who with her friend Robert Jensen, 17, was shot to death in Lincoln.

Heninger said Starkweather told him he had killed Marion Bartlett, 57, his wife Velda, 37, mother of Caril Fugate, on Tuesday. He did

State Weather 'Highlights'

PORTLAND (AP)—Two tornadoes and high winds were highlights of Oregon weather in 1957. The U. S. Weather Bureau said in its annual summary Wednesday.

The tornadoes, however, did only slight damage as they swirled briefly April 12 near Sandy and in Gilliam and Morrow counties.

High winds also raked the state in 1957. The highest carried gusts up to 100 miles an hour were recorded at Mount Hebo on the coast and in the Columbia Gorge.

The bureau also said in its report that it got pretty hot—and pretty cold—last year in the state. Arlington recorded the highest temperature, 106 degrees July 4. Seneca was the coldest spot reported—43 degrees below zero Jan. 26.

It also was pretty wet in some parts of the state. Valselet recorded the 24-hour high, 6.17 inches Dec. 19.

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not mention infant Betty Jean, also slain. He told the Nebraska detective he had spent most of that day at the C. L. Ward home. C. Lauer Ward, 48, his wife Clara, about 46, and Lillian Fencel, about 60, their housekeeper, all were shot down.

The girl, in a state of shock after fleeing Starkweather's car before the final chase leading to his capture, was sheltered in the living quarters of the sheriff and his wife on the second floor of the jail.

Two possible reasons for the wave of slayings came to light Thursday.

At Lincoln, Neb., his father, Guy Starkweather, said: "He is to lose his sight within a year," because

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Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Snow showers and partial clearing periods through Friday. Low Thursday night 20-28; high Friday 34-40.

High yesterday 37
Low last night 25
Precip. last 24 hours 0.47
Since Oct. 1 10.38
Same period last year 7.05
Normal for period 6.79

CRATER LAKE
High yesterday 23
Low last night 20
8 a.m. today 21
New snow 8
Snow depth 144

Highway 62 is open through the park with chains advised; very narrow. The road is open, with chains required, from Annie Springs to park headquarters. The road from headquarters to the rim is closed today but the rangers hope to have it reopened for weekend skiing. The temperature dropped Wednesday afternoon, making the new snow lighter than that of the previous day and preparing for good weekend ski conditions. There was a low overcast this morning and intermittent snow.

TOMAHAWK
Four inches of new snow fell last night on a three foot hard-packed surface in the Tomahawk Ski Bowl 24 miles northwest of Klamath Falls on Lake of the Woods Road. The parking area has been plowed and is in good condition for visitors. Facilities will operate on Friday from 1 to 4 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be an instructor on duty and ski school will operate all three days as will the tugs, Pomalift and restaurant.

Wreck Leaves Eight Orphans

KELLOGG, Idaho (AP)—Eight children waved goodbye Wednesday when their parents left their Pines Creek area home 10 miles southwest of here for a short trip to a nearby town. Now the children are orphans—their mother and father killed in a traffic accident.

Clarence Larson, 41, and Donna, 34, were killed outright when their panel truck went out of control, toppled end over end and came to rest against a telephone pole. The mishap occurred a mile from their home shortly after Wednesday midnight.

Congress Showdown Seen On Space Research Project

WASHINGTON (AP)—Congress appears headed toward a showdown battle over civilian vs. military control of outer space experiments.

A decision by Secretary of Defense McElroy to set up a Pentagon Advanced Research Projects Agency brought open opposition today to over-all military direction of space developments.

McElroy said the ARPA, which is to work on antimissile and outer space projects, will be officially set up "in a day or two." He said he wants it in existence before funds are voted for it.

While they did not immediately challenge McElroy's decision, Chairman Russell (D-Ga.) and other members of the Senate Armed Services Committee said the secretary's action is not going to be accepted by them as any final determination of who will supervise the race to space.

"This is a matter on which Congress must have full information," Russell said. "This is too vital a matter to be disposed of by some administrative order."

Russell said he is opposed to putting direction of the program

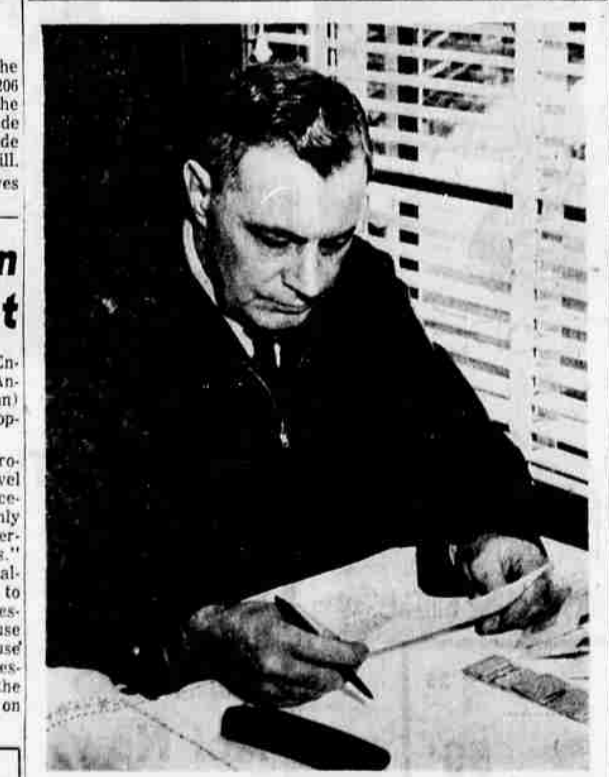
in the hands of the Atomic Energy Commission as Senators Anderson (D-NM) and Gore (D-Tenn) have proposed. They too have opposed military control.

Sen. Kefauver (D-Tenn) proposed a separate Cabinet-level department, saying, "The peaceful conquest of space is highly important and must not be overshadowed by military projects."

McElroy has contended he already has sufficient authority to establish the ARPA. Some question of that was raised in House debate, however, and the House voted specific authorization to establish the agency while at the same time prescribing limits on its operation.

Mothers March

Mothers will march tonight between 7 and 8 o'clock to take part in the nationwide plea for funds in the March of Dimes "Survival Is Not Enough" campaign. Those wishing to donate please leave porch lights on.



IRVIN D. KERR, newly appointed superintendent of the Lava Beds National Monument, replaces Robert R. Budlong who has been promoted to the position of management assistant in the park service's region four office, San Francisco. Announcement of Kerr's appointment was made by Lawrence C. Merriam, regional director, region four, National Park Service, Department of the Interior. Mr. and Mrs. Kerr are living in park headquarters at the monument.